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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI ON SAUDI/YEMENI RELATIONS

1. DURING MAY 9TALK, PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI DESCRIBED SAUDI RELATIONS AS EXCELLENT ALTHOUGH HE NOTED THAT THERE WERE SOME ELEMENTS WITHIN THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT STILL ATTACHED BY "SENTIMENT" TO SAHIKH ABDALLAH BIN HUSSAIN AL-AHMAR. AL-HAMDI CONTINUED THAT NONETHELESS SAUDI SUPPORT FOR THE REGIME HAS BEEN EXTREMELY GENEROUS AND MUCH APPRECIATED.

2. AL-HAMDI POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT HE STILL BELIEVES THERE IS A ROLE FOR THE US TO PLAY IN CONVEYING TO THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT ITS ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION HERE. GIVEN THE FACT THAT SOME OF THE LOCAL SAUDI SOURCES ARE NOT RELIABLE AND IN FACT BIASED IN FAVOR OF THE TRIBES, AL-HAMDI SAID THAT HIS REGIME IS APPRECIATIVE OF WHAT THE US HAS DONE IN THE PAST WITH SAUDI ARABIA AND HOPES THAT THE US WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY THIS ROLE AS THE SITUATION REQUIRES.

3. AL-HAMDI CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT HE WAS PLANNING TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA ON THE MORROW, PRIMARILY TO PAY HIS
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RESPECTS ON KING KHALID FOLLOWING THE LATTER'S RECENT ILLNESS. HE ADDED THAT IF HE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY, HOWEVER, HE WOULD ALSO DISCUSS YEMEN'S INTERNAL SITUATION WITH SUCH SAUDI LEADERS AS PRINCE FAHD AND SULTAN.

4. LOCAL TELEVISION REPORTED AL-HAMDI'S RETURN ON SAME DAY, MAY 10, AFTER A QUICK VISIT TO JIDDA WHERE HE HAD

LUNCH WITH KING KHALID AND TALKS WITH FAHD AND SULTAN.
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